



Market information and guidelines for the 2011 season

The City of Stewartville is sponsoring a new farmer's market, and we invite your participation.

Market Dates: Wednesdays, May 25 – September 21, 2011
5 – 8 pm in the summer, 5-7 pm in the Fall

Market Location: Striker's Corner, 101-10th St NW, Stewartville, MN 55976

Application Process: Return the enclosed application form, signed guidelines, and copies of any applicable permits/licenses to the City of Stewartville.

Market Goods:

- The following items are approved for sale:
 1. Fresh produce, if grown by vendor.
 2. Herbs and spices, if grown by vendor.
 3. Honey, maple syrup and preserves, eggs, meat and other goods if prepared and packaged in accordance with rules established by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture and produced by the vendor.
 4. Cut flowers, bedding plants, hanging and potted plants, if grown by the vendor.
 5. Dried flowers or plants grown by the vendor.
 6. Bakery goods prepared by the vendor.
 7. Arts and crafts, if made by the vendor.
- Products not listed above must receive advance approval from the market coordinator before sale.
- Market staff has the right to ask vendor to remove products.
- All items must be prepared, displayed and stored in accordance with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Minnesota Department of Health guidelines, and Olmsted County Health Department Guidelines.
<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/en/food/safety/minn-food-code-fact-sheets/pickle-bill.aspx>
- All producers of processed items, (jams, jellies, syrups, breads, lefse, etc.) are required to adhere to labeling law requirements. Items sold must comply with Minnesota State Statute 28A.
www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes
- Produce sold as *organic* must have originated from an organic grown certified farm.
- Farmers/growers that are not certified *organic* can advertise or sell produce as "*chemical free*" if they practice chemical free farming.
- All nursery stock sold must have originated from Minnesota.
<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/licensing/licensetypes/nurseryprogram.aspx>

Insurance:

- **All vendors should carry their own general liability and product liability insurance, as the City does not provide this coverage.**

Permits:

- All permits and licenses required by the State of Minnesota are the sole responsibility of the vendors.
- All Vendors who are required to have such permits/licenses must submit copies with market registration.

Booth Space:

- First come, first serve. Please limit one booth space per vendor.
- Vendors are responsible for providing all tables, canopies, and other items needed for their display.
- Tents and canopies must be weighted – absolutely no pounding of stakes in parking lot or grass.
- All displays must be neat and tasteful.

Set-up/Tear Down:

- Vendors may begin setting up at 4 pm on market day. A market coordinator will be at the market location at 4 pm to assist vendors.
- Market vendors must be ready to start selling at 5 pm on market day.
- In the interest of customer and vendor safety, there will be no moving of vehicles in the market area between 4:45 pm and 8:05 pm. If you arrive after 4:45, you must park in an adjacent area and walk your merchandise and supplies (tents, tables, etc.) to and from your stall location.
- Vendors must remove all materials including paper, bags, boxes or debris resulting from the market by 8:30 pm. All trash must be disposed of properly.

Market Policies:

- **The market will begin at exactly 5 pm.**
- Vendors are not allowed to have pets/animals in the market area.
- Consuming alcoholic beverages and smoking are prohibited in the market area.
- All vendors must keep their area neat while selling and make certain that the area is clean before leaving.
- Price, terms of sale, etc. are solely between buyer and seller.
- All sellers agree to abide by fair business practices.
- Market will occur rain or shine.